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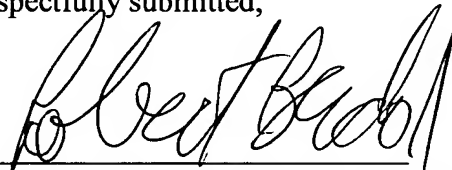
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Attached are copies of four Japanese patent publications. Any relevance of the Japanese patent publications can be gleaned from the attached English-language Abstracts. The patent publications are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Also listed on the Form PTO-1449 for consideration are three U.S. patents. Any relevance of these U.S. patents is self-evident.

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